OTHER CHAP'S RIGHT TO GIRL OBSERVED

Fist Fights in Gotham Clubs Enforce Code.

New York.—Broadway has a strict etiquette at times, one unwritten rule of which is:

Let the other fellow's girl alone.

Like most rules it is often disregarded, usually by those who have yet to learn it. They soon are educated, however. The offended party sees to that.

Stories are not uncommon of the fights in night clubs over attentions paid some girl. The object of attraction may not have minded, but her escort did. One incident happened where the rebuking party was a clubman known widely for his athletic ability. A convivial stranger at the next table made an intimate if innocuous remark to the sportsman's friend which brought a single, belligerent question.

"Do you want to walk out, or be carried out?" he was asked. He chose to walk.

Violation Has Advantages.

There is one man-about-Broadway, however, who regrets a recent application of the hands-off rule, supposedly in his favor. He was invited to an after-theater party only to find himself paired with a girl who was pretty but exceedingly dull. He was very affable, therefore, when another man came up and engaged the dumb beauty in conversation. As soon as he could, he disappeared, hoping he was rid of her.

When he returned some time later, however, the other man was missing.

"What happened to that nice chap who was here awhile ago?" he asked.

"Oh, I took care of that egg," said the well-meaning host. "He was trying to take Mary away from you, so I told him to get out and stay out."

"That's too bad," murmured the guest weakly. "He seemed to be a fine fellow. I liked him."

Sau. Company Robs Up.

But now and then the rule is unenforced, as it was not long ago when a suave stranger started a restaurant flirtation that almost proved disastrous for the girl. A smile led to an exchange of telephone numbers and soon the couple were going places together. His became quite fond of him until her romance was suddenly shattered by a newspaper story that her "broker" friend had been arrested as a racketeer.

After recovering from the shock, she kept herself in seclusion until the story was forgotten. Now she is back in the old haunts, but she is unapproachable by any one but her best friends.

EAGLE TRAINED TO ACT AS RETRIEVER

Owner Demonstrates Bird's Rare Talents.

New York.—Capt. C. W. R. Knight of England recently demonstrated his trained golden eagle before an audience of about 20 bird enthusiasts on the estate of George Palmer Putnam on Long Island sound. Mr. Putnam explained that the flight was merely to give the bird exercise and that the bird enthusiasts, some of whom were members of the Explorers' club, had been given permission to view the eagle.

The eagle weighs about 16 pounds and has been trained to retrieve game and other objects thrown by Captain Knight. The eagle, which is being kept at the Bronx zoo, was brought to the Putnam estate in a closed car by Captain Knight and was kept blindfolded until ready for the "exercises." Captain Knight explained that he was better able to keep the bird under control when it was blindfolded.

As soon as the blind was removed from the hood on the eagle perched on Captain Knight's shoulder. Captain Knight threw pieces of meat and dead rabbits as far as he could, and these were brought back to him by the eagle.

Among those who witnessed the flight was Capt. Bob Bartlett of the Morrissey, who took the Putnam expedition to the Arctic.

Grain Links History of Egypt, Abyssinia

Leningrad, U. S. S. R.—The hints of Herodotus that the ancient Egyptians and the Abyssinians were somehow connected has been corroborated by botany.

According to investigations of the well-known Russian botanist, K. A. Flaxenburg, a striking likeness is now established between the old Egyptian emmer found in the sarcophagus of the priests of the twelfth dynasty and the Abyssinian samples collected by the Vavilov expedition in 1927. These Egyptian specimens differ strongly from other forms of emmer and especially from the Persian form in which some scientists found grain.

From Abyssinia the emmer is believed to have spread to Arabia, India and Egypt. In Persia forms arose which are allied to the Abyssinian ones. In Serbia other forms differentiated which approach the Abyssinian types. The Russian emmer originated from these Serbian forms.

Women Cured of Leprosy Stay on With Lepers

Carrville, La.—Because there is no one outside who cares for them two women pronounced cured of leprosy have chosen to spend the remainder of their lives in the United States leprosarium here.

One woman has spent 25 of her 70 years here and the other 14 of her 28. Both told authorities their relatives were unwilling for them to return home. "So, if you don't mind we'll just stay here," they told Dr. O. E. Denney, chief physician in charge of the colony.

They are the first in the history of the leper colony ever to remain after they had been pronounced cured. Cure of the dread disease is rare. In the history of the colony only 40 persons have been pronounced cured, Doctor Denney said.

Turks Protect Allah From Public Insult

Constantinople.—Smasher of Moslem traditions, the Turkish govern ment is nevertheless adamant against insults to the Moslem religion.

Ekaim Tevfik Bey, editor of Free Thought, was brought to court for publishing "An Open Letter to the Prophet Mohammed." One passage in the letter stated:

"To kiss the pages of the Koran to sacrifice one's life and goods to visit a city hidden in Arabia (Mecca) is not this the worst sort of Idolatry?"

A clause in the republic's newly adopted penal code subjects those who are found guilty of blaspheming any of the world's established religions, Christian, Moslem, Buddhist et cetera, to heavy fines or imprisonment.

Real Stay-at-Home

Flagy, France.—That there is no place like home is the belief of Mme. Jeanne Lavigne, who will be one hundred and six years old next month. She says she has never been outside her native town.

Harem Customs Bring Argentine Protests

Beirut, Syria.—To protest against the attitude adopted by Syrian Moslems toward Argentine women, the Argentine government has closed its consulate in Beirut.

The consul stated that Argentine women of the Christian faith marrying Syrian Moslems abroad and later accompanying their husbands to Syria suffer considerable hardships. On arrival in Syria they are confined in harems as is customary with native women, and forced in every way to conform to the Moslem mode of life.

Real Good in Life

For myself I am certain that the good of human life cannot lie in the possession of things which for one man to possess is for the rest to lose, but rather in things which all can possess alike, and where one man's wealth promotes his neighbors.—Spinoza.

ENGLISH ROBOTS TO ACT AS INFORMANTS

Will Be Placed in Stations and on Corners.

London.—Although England's first Robot was created only a few short months ago, he already has six brothers ranging in height from Jasper's six feet six, to little Rupert's five feet ten.

Despite their tender ages the services of all seven have been hired out under the contract-labor system during the schoolboy's exhibition at Horticultural hall, and soon after the exhibition closes the Robot family will be broken up and the brothers sent out to different railway stations and street corners to take 24-hour-a-day jobs answering questions and giving directions. A pathetic fate for such youngsters, that would seem to call for intervention on the part of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children!

Where Can I Eat?

How these daily gleaming giants of steel work has now been revealed for the first time in connection with the schoolboys' exhibit, where Rupert, a bright little fellow, is to be seen with his chest and head cut open and all his insides revealed. Young John Bull, Jr., presses a button on Rupert's tummy. Almost instantly lights stare from under Rupert's heavy eyebrows and a voice incredibly deep for such a youngster booms out: "What do you want to know?"

Young John, startled, stutters: "P-please, where can I get a bite to eat?"

"Take the third aisle on your left and walk straight on," booms the voice. Then the lights die out and Rupert is once again a senseless structure of cold steel.

Bewildered, young John follows the directions, and sure enough, walks straight into a restaurant.

Now what has happened is this: When the youth pushed the button on Rupert's tummy a light showed on a switchboard in front of a man at a table in a control room.

May Soon Be Common.

He immediately "plugged in" on Rupert, lighting up Rupert's eyes and establishing a telephonic contact with a microphone hidden behind a silver gauze-covered hole in Rupert's front. Thus the man at the central control station heard young John's question and he promptly answered back by telephone, his words being amplified by a loud speaker in Rupert's chest.

If the question asked is a "stickler," the man at the control station, and through him, Rupert says: "Wait a minute," and the right answer is looked up in handy reference books. One man in the central office, it is declared, will in this way be able to handle the questions asked of, say, a dozen or more Robots installed in a railway station, big shops, hotels, or even on street corners, and it is predicted that within the next few years these grin fronted Robot servants will be commonplace sights in all large cities.

Mexico Creates Zones for Indian Education

Mexico City.—An experimental zone in which new policies of the department of public education will be tried out, has been established by the Mexican government in the states of Hidalgo and Tlaxacala. These sites were picked because of the large Indian population in their proximity. It was explained the department is increasing its efforts to educate the Indians of the republic. Special schools in which new methods of teaching will be employed are being built in this zone. Cultural missions will also work here.

The establishment of this zone was decided upon at the suggestion of Moises Saenz, sub-secretary of the department. Senor Saenz has made an extensive study of methods for instructing the Indians.

Lightweight Kettles as Good as Heavy Ones

Pullman, Wash.—Heavy aluminum cooking utensils are thing of the past, more efficient than less expensive lighter weight kettles, as the result of careful experiments by Catherine Landreth of Dunedin, New Zealand, research specialist in home economics now working at the University of Washington.

Miss Landreth has just embarked on a three to five year project to improve cooking methods for the housewife. She plans to investigate the practicality of the new method of electric cooking in which the current passes directly through the food and to establish definite standards for vegetable cooking.

Flees From Angry Wife Into Wild Beast's Cage

Los Angeles, Calif.—A wild animal cage was the refuge place of a circus man when his irate wife chased him about the "big top" with a horsewhip. This was the testimony of Alberta G. Barnes Stonehouse, the "Al G. Barnes" of circus fame, in court here in connection with a suit for separate maintenance.

Stonehouse said he had divorced Sarah Jane Hardigan Stonehouse, his second wife, in Las Vegas, Nev., in 1923, and that she was not entitled to an allowance now. The woman claims that her husband was not a legal resident of Las Vegas and that the decree is void.

GIANT REDWOODS TO BE PRESERVED

New Shoots Will Replace Stock Taken in Logging.

Portland, Ore.—Next year, it is estimated, the area stocked with young trees each year in the West Coast redwood belt will equal the area logged over annually.

Timber men say that this means there will be perpetual commercial forests in this country. The picture is at once esthetic and practical. It answers the sentiment for preservation of the "great woods" and at the same time protects the lumber supply. Already one of the largest lumber companies in the Pacific Northwest is cutting timber from land that was restocked 40 years ago.

In the redwood region, from southern Oregon to lower central California, private companies are setting out annually more than three million trees. For each mature redwood cut ten baby trees are planted. In from 40 to 60 years they will be ready for harvest.

Long-range culture has been extended to other forest trees. Fir, spruce and cedar forests are being replaced in a far-sighted policy that looks to the time when virgin growth will be exhausted. Vast areas denuded by logging operations have been made to yield new crops of sturdy trees.

Many of the large companies, whose timber holdings cover small-sized empires, have undertaken systematic reforestation of cut-over areas. They say that long before their original stand of timber is exhausted a new forest will be ready. One paper company, to provide a constant flow of pulp wood, has established a nursery, from which young trees will be transplanted this year.

New Digestant Found in Sap of the Papaya

Miami, Fla.—Dr. J. Peterson, well-known Miami horticulturist, who has been experimenting with tropical plants for the last 15 years, contemporary with other scientists of tropical research, has just disclosed a vast store of knowledge on the papaya as a remedy for stomach troubles.

Through experimentation it has been found that papain, the white milky sap of the papaya, has the same effect upon meat that does pepsin, but with greater efficiency and quicker results. Tests have revealed that a drop of papain will dissolve a square inch piece of steak in two minutes.

The discovery of papaya was synonymous with the discovery of Central America, its cultivation dating back years ago. Coast pirates used it for food, but upon the annihilation of the

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Spanish Yielding to English in Philippines

Manila.—The Spanish language is giving ground to English, despite the efforts of older Filipinos to keep Spanish alive.

The latest indication of this was contained in a communication from Governor General Stimson to the secretary of justice in which the executive advised the secretary that nominees for the judiciary must have at least a working knowledge of the English language.

The order was in line with the administration's policy of encouraging the adoption of English as the sole official language of the country as soon as possible. This policy, in turn, was prompted by the fact that most of the younger Filipinos speak English, but have a slight knowledge, or none at all, of Spanish.

At present, both Spanish and English are the official languages of the Philippines.

Finds Cells of Trees Live 3,000 Years

Flagstaff, Ariz.—A discovery that upsets a fundamental theory about living things, that all life cycles require enlargement, has been made by Dr. D. T. MacDougall of the desert laboratory here of the Carnegie institution.

Studying long-lived cells of certain trees, Doctor MacDougall found a type called baldoon cells, incased in the tree in such a manner that they cannot increase in any apparent manner of cell life, yet living for 400 seasons. He said these cells mature in about 20 days, that if a tree is injured they seem to possess recuperative powers and that they weight of the young cells is greater than that of the old.

Some cells in the big trees of California live 3,000 years. The trees never die of age. Ultimately the winds blow them over.

Policeman's Nickel Solves Traffic Jam

Los Angeles, Calif.—In this drama of the streets he was just motorcycle officer No. 517, but he had an idea.

A nickel was involved. It had stopped a street car, delaying office men and laborers on their way to work and tied up traffic.

"Gimme a good nickel," demanded the conductor, "or get off."

"That's a good nickel," snorted the commuter. "Try and put me off."

At this point No. 517 boarded the car. Both turned to him, protesting loudly as passengers yelled and auto horns shrieked.

"Gimme that nickel," said No. 517.

He took it, handed the commuter another, swung off the car, passengers applauded and traffic moved on.

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The man who comes out on top is the one who first gets to the bottom of things.—Los Angeles Times.

Watch Acts as Calendar

An oblong, octallet watch made recently measures only one inch by one and one-half. It records not only the time, but, in addition, the day of the week, the month, the date, and the phases of the moon. The last four records are contained in small circles on the dial.

London Police Find Army Captain Woman

London.—One of the most unusual cases of its kind that the London police have ever encountered has come to light through the arrest of a supposed army captain now proved to be a woman. She is "Capt. Leslie Baker," who not only posed as a man but was one time leader of the national Fascisti in London and ran a west-end restaurant. She acted as "social assistant" receptionist clerk in a west-end hotel when arrested for contempt of court in connection with bankruptcy proceedings. Then her sex was discovered.

Uncle Eben

"You can't judge by appearances," said Uncle Eben. "A mighty slick lookin' fiveer may have a fool inside."—Washington Star.

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And now we have base ball again—Appomattox vs Hampden Sidney— Saturday on the grounds here.

Soon we will have the sweet graduate with us. Always a season of great interest at Appomattox.

Painters and decorators are busy in this town and housekeepers demand that all men go off the premises to spit.

Fishing is said to be good on the James—President Hoover with one of our bass on his line would be forever an Isaak Walton.

Mr. Hoover will have his first Congress on hand next Monday—farm relief is the immediate and primary cause of the extra session. Just what relief will or can be proffered for poor rube is not known. Too much credit is not a good thing for many of us.

Horsemen do not agree as to whether the horse should be watered before, during, or after feeding—so take your choice. It is important, however, that he be watered at regular periods, as frequent changing from one plan to another will affect the animal's appetite. A horse needs from 10 to 12 gallons of pure water daily.

The Governorship

Hon. Roswell Page, of Hanover county, has announced his candidacy for the nomination for Governor in the Democratic primary. It appears now that the campaign will be between Dr. Pollard, Senator Mapp and Mr. Page—three distinguished Virginians. All of these candidates voted for Governor Smith for President, Dr. Pollard and Senator Mapp are defeated candidates for Governor.

Just what the issue will be no one knows.

The party leaders are foolish enough to insist on a primary instead of a convention. So each candidate is to have his own platform.

Democrats and Republicans are invited to come into the primary without restraint, regardless of the senseless primary law now in the code—so elastic as to permit of any interpretation desired by local party authorities.

Let the Democratic party have its convention, adopt a platform of principles and write the party plan of nomination by primaries.

No amount of persuasion will suffice to bring back to the fold the Hoover followers—a strong platform of real Democratic principles with a progressive forward-looking candidate and a party plan which guarantees to every member of the party absolute fairness in the conduct of the primary elections is the pressing need of the hour.

Will the party leaders with vision take heed or will they permanently disrupt and destroy the party of our fathers.

Attend Camp

Applications for training at the Citizens Military Training Camps this summer in excess of the quota of these respective counties, have been received from twelve of the one hundred counties in the State, according to a compilation made at headquarters of the Eightieth Division in Richmond. Only eight counties have exceeded their quotas on the same date last year, indicating the growing popularity of these camps among the young men and their desire to get applications in early in order that they may be favorably considered.

Of the total state quota of 997 Virginians who will be permitted to attend the camps this summer, over 350 have applied. Last year applications for training throughout the country exceeded by 37,000 the number finally accepted Many of the early applications being received this year are from young men who applied too late last year to be considered.

Reserve Officers, members of the Citizens Military Training Camps committees, superintendents of schools and many other leaders in civic activities in the various counties of the state are showing more enthusiasm than ever before in bringing to the attention of young men the spiritual, moral, physical and mental advantages in attending the Citizens Military Training Camps. This activity on the part of civic leaders is being reflected in the increasing number of applications being received so early this year.

Several applications have been received from graduates of the Blue course, who have attended the camps for four summers, to attend again.

Chinchilla Rabbits

Greenhow Johnston, aerial and motion picture expert, has become an enthusiastic advocate of chinchilla rabbits the raising of which for commercial purposes he believes destined to be an important industry in Virginia. So enthusiastic is Mr. Johnston over the possibilities of this activity that he has established a chinchilla fur farm just outside of Richmond on which he is raising rabbits for the market.

The Chinchilla rabbit, says Mr. Johnston, possesses a double standard of value, a food value and a fur value. Its food value has been recognized by the United States government and is prized highly in both London and Paris.

In bulletin No. 1519 the United States Department of Agriculture says: "Rabbit fur is used more extensively by the fur trade than any other kind. More than 100,000,000 rabbit skins are utilized annually. Of this number about 55,000,000, dressed and dyed, are made into fur garments and into trimmings for women's coat suits and dresses. The reindeer, or skins not suitable for garments are used as linings for men's and boy's gloves and in the manufacture of felts, used chiefly for making hats".

Agricultural Committee

J. Gordon Bohannan, president of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce today announced the appointment of the first of eight permanent committees which will be instructed with carrying out the point All Virginia program Chamber at its last annual meeting. The first committee to be completed is on "Agricultural Development and Immigration," and is headed by Dr. Douglas S. Freeman, Richmond editor.

Other members of the committee include Charles P. Macfill, of Pulaski, who formerly was a member of the State Chamber's Committee on Taxation. Benjamin T. Gunter, of Accomac, former president of the Eastern Shore of Virginia Chamber of Commerce, Judge tion. The State Commission Alvin T. Embrey, President of of Game and Inland Fisheries Rappahannock Valley Inc., voted to supplement this with and John R. Hutcheson, dir- an additional $2,500 making a ector of the extention division total of $7,500, with which to of the Virginia Agricultural start the program. and Mechanical College and The importance of the puri- Polytechnic Institute, com- fication of running streams plete the roaster of the com- from which, in large measure, mittee. cities are supplied with water, The committee will be charg- as well as the country generaled with carrying out the pro- ly, is so obvious as to require no gram drafted by the annual serious argument. Surveys by meeting of the chamber; "The the State this year will cover establishment of closer work- the South Fork of the Shenaning relations between the fin- doah from Waynesboro to ancial, industrial, commercial below the Town of Lura, as also and agricultural forces of the the North and South Forks of State for agricultural develop- the Holston and Roanoke ment and the maintenance of Rivers. Investigations will albusiness prosperity through so be made along the James sympathetic and practical co- River and its tributaries, as operation between city and these may be needed to supplecountry; and the encourage- ment work already done by the ment of desirable settlers best City of Richmond. suited for permanent residence in Virginia and for the development of specialized agricultural industries." The first meeting of the committee will be on April 10 at Virginia Beach.

Stream Survey

The program now under way to solve the problem of stream pollution in Virginia owes its impetus largely to Major Robertson. Realizing that little could be accomplished without full cooperation between industry, the municipalities, sportsmen, and the State departments interested in conservation and health, representatives of these several groups were invited to a conference last year, and their interest at once enlisted in the project proposed.

The cost of making surveys will be approximately $10,000 a year. Since there is no state appropriation for such work the Virginia Manufacturer's Association promptly offered to raise $5,000 by subsription from members of its associa-

Promotion Committee

Junius P. Fishburn, former president of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, and president of the Times-World Corporation at Roanoke will head the committee on Publicity of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce appointed today by J. Gordon Bohannan, new president of the organization. At the last annual meeting of the State Chamber, in January, a new all Virginia program was adopted as the perpetual guide of the activities of the Virginia organization and ten committees authorized, one to carry out the purposes of each of the ten points.

On Mr. Fishburn's committee will be Charles P. Hasbrook, of Richmond, publisher of the Richmond Times-Dispatch; Louis I. Jaffe, of Norfolk, editor of the Virginian-Pilot and the Norfolk Landmark; Robert D. Ramsey, business manager of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce and E. O. Fippin, executive secretary and treasurer of the State Conservation and Development Commission of Virginia.

The program under which this committee will work will include: "The interpretation of Virginia to Virginians through Know Virginia Publicity, and the advertisement of Virginia events, resources and advantages throughout the nation and the world, to perpetuate the history, ideals, traditions and the prestige of the old Virginia in the building of the New Virginia and to promote the high regard for Virginia and the friendly acceptance of her people in the other states of the Union and abroad."

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Scientist Predicts Another Glacial Age

Copenhagen.—The severity of the winter through which Europe has passed has led scientists to predict another ice age will visit the earth. One scientist thinks it will—but not for another 20,000 or 25,000 years.

There is indeed no reason to believe that the earth will not pass through another glacial age, says Dr. Vay Nordmann, the eminent Danish geologist. He points out that our sphere has already passed through three glacial periods and experienced two interglacial periods, while it is possible that the ice ages have really numbered four and the milder interludes three.

"We know that the climate of these interglacial periods has been warmer and better than the climate we have been enjoying during our time," Doctor Nordmann told the Associated Press, "and there is absolutely no reason why we should not have another glacial era.

"It may not be as severe as the very first glacial period, which penetrated farther south than the succeeding ones, but my opinion is that the earth has still to pass through one or more glacial periods.

"I think that in another 20,000 or 25,000 years we shall taste the experience of another ice-bound age."

Court to Decide Worth of Singing Dog's Voice

Budapest.—The Hungarian Supreme court will soon have to decide how much the voice of a dog is worth. The case which will be brought up concerns, however, not the voice of an ordinary dog but that of a canine artist, the "singing" dog and vaudeville star Sambo.

Sambo was shot by Count Esterhazy while strolling with his master in the Tata park. The count, to whom the park belongs, suspecting Sambo of hunting game, took up his rifle and shot him. Sambo's master now sues before Hungarian courts for $10,000 damages, declaring that no smaller sum would compensate him for the loss of his companion.

Buys Lincoln Pen

New York.—The pen with which Lincoln is believed to have signed the emancipation proclamation was purchased by Gabriel Wells for $2,300 at an auction of books and relics.

CLEOPATRA NEEDLES WIDELY SEPARATED

One Obelisk in London, Other in New York.

Washington.—About 3,500 years ago Thothmes III, king of Egypt, reared himself a tall obelisk at the temple of Heliopolis, six miles from present-day Cairo. Americans interested in deciphering the cuneiform script covering the obelisk need not travel to Egypt for that purpose, Thothmes, royal monument, for almost 40 years, has raised its head in Central park, New York city.

From the Thames embankment in London a companion obelisk also looks on another world than that of ancient Egypt. It is the second obelisk of the pair erected in Heliopolis to commemorate the glory of the god, Amen-Ra.

"The title of Cleopatra's Needle is claimed for both the New York and London obelisks," says a bulletin from the National Geographic society. "During the lifetime of Cleopatra the two obelisks were moved from Heliopolis to Alexandria. It is affirmed that this removal was by Cleopatra's decree, but that the troublous times during the latter years of her reign prevented their being raised.

Mounted by A. Caesar.

"While they were lying on the Alexandrian sands the name Cleopatra's Needles was said to have been given them. History does not record valid evidences of Cleopatra's interest in needles of stone or other material. It was during the reign of Augustus Caesar that the obelisks were finally mounted.

"The New York obelisk, more than 69 feet high, was presented to the United States by the Egyptian government. Its removal to New York presented a novel problem because of its excessive weight. The obelisk was lowered to a wooden caisson, in which it was floated to the dock and was placed in the steamship which carried it to America by opening a port in her bow. On its arrival it was transported by rail to Central park, where towers and trunnions were used in raising it. The London obelisk was removed from Egypt in 1820. It had been presented to King George IV by Mohammed Ali in 1819, but no effort was made to remove it for many years. Finally it was housed in a steel cylinder and shipped to England in the obelisk ship Cleopatra.

Europe Has Obelisks.

"Although Egypt is the home of the obelisk, there are today more of these monuments outside Egypt than in it. The practice of denuding Egypt of her obelisks began during the Sixth century, B. C., when Ashurnipal, the Assyrian, removed a pair to Nineveh. At present Egypt has four at Karnak and also the Mataria and Luxor obelisks. Rome has 12 of various sizes, Constantople has two and England, America and France each have one. The largest of these is in the plazas of St. John Lateran at Rome. The material used in the obelisks is a pink granite from the quarries at Assuan, anciently Syene.

"Obelisks have always exercised a fascination for the student of Egyptology. Archeologists have yet to discover how the ancient Egyptians, ignorant of modern methods of transport, moved these huge blocks of granite hundreds of miles and then set them up in the midst of existing buildings."

Ritchie Goes to Aid of "Lady in Distress"

Baltimore.—"The handsomest man in public life west of Cherbourg," Gov. Albert Cabell Ritchie of Maryland, once more lives up to his Virginia Cavalier lineage and rescues a lady in distress.

This time it is Mrs. Douglas MacArthur, daughter of Mrs. B. T. Stotesbury, and wife of the leading army commander of the Philippine department.

Driving to Washington at night Mrs. MacArthur was halted by a state policeman.

Her tags said 1928, the date was 1929, and so an unsympathetic magistrate at Savage, on the Baltimore-Washington boulevard, fined the general's lady $10.

Mrs. MacArthur cried, stormed and pleaded. The state policeman was obdurate.

So Mrs. MacArthur telephoned the executive mansion in Annapolis. Governor Bert got the magistrate on the wire and the car was released. The $10 was sent.

Rooster's Spur Grows on Hen; Comb Shrivels

Pittsburgh, Pa.—A rooster's spur, transplanted young to a hen, grows to a full-sized male spur, but his comb when transferred does not grow so gorgeously large upon the hen.

These experiments on transplanting parts of day-old chicks are reported by Prof. A. W. Kosiks of the department of zoology of the University of Pittsburgh, in a paper to the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Contrary to general belief, says Professor Kozeika, there appears to be a genetic difference between the spurs of the male and the female. Inherent in the male spur there is a principle of development that causes it to tend to preserve its character. The female spurs, transplanted, do not exhibit the same degree of persistence of type.

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